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Cover Photo

The accent is on youth in the National Family Week radio series broadcast by the Upper Room Radio Parish on 500 stations. Philippine student Raye Valencia helps in the singing of the Philippine national anthem on the program "Light from Luzon." Raye's father is the Methodist bishop in the Philippines. She is a student at Scarritt College in Nashville.

Another foreign student at Scarritt, Kweeduk Choi of Korea, tells the story of the conversion of a young communist youth who has crucified two sons of a Korean pastor. Masayuka Imaishi of Japan recalls for the broadcast series the bombing of Hiroshima and the heroic rebuilding of the Hiroshima Girls School, which is a project of the Methodist Youth Fund.

The Upper Room Radio Parish series on Family Week will be broadcast May 2-8. Check with your local station for time.

Forum

WORD OF THANKS

Sir:

Thanks for Miss Bowman's "Revised Standard Readers" in 2 April issue. It is so well related to the "present age" and to where many of us ministers have to labor. Keep up the inspiration, instruction, information.

A. B. Carlton, Ala.

ATTENTION REPS

Sir:

I am preparing to present a program on CONCERN at a subdistrict meeting. Would you please send me some subscription folders and sympathy cards. Incidentally, I made the Eager Elmer turn-over chart you suggested. It was so simple to make. I used it at a district retreat and it went over with a bang.

Judy Baker, Tex.

POSITIVE APPROACH

Sir:

Mr. Nelson's column in the 19 February issue is tops! May I add another "Amen."

There must be a solution by which the southern states might be an example for all others, if the U. S. Supreme Court decides that segregation is unconstitutional. Why can't our leaders take a positive and Christian approach instead of a narrow and selfish attitude? We could have a well organized system of gradual integration of the Negro into the schools and colleges that would appeal to the majority of the people and would not be injurious to anyone.

In order to make progress, we must face ourselves squarely! The south could be an example to the nation in this problem of intolerance, if we would dare to face the possibilities of a system whereby all peoples might be a part of our legal heritage of "liberty and justice for all."

Peggy Reinhardt, S. C.

MORE ON MYF

Sir:

I think there should be more articles in CONCERN pertaining to more specific MYF activities, but I guess no one can complain about the fine job your staff is doing. It's a wonderful way to keep informed and no young person can possibly be up to date on events of national importance unless he has a subscription. I have found that out for myself when I neglected to make a renewal. Enclosed please find $1 for my subscription.

Ronnie Keller, Mich.

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56 General Conference be in Minneapolis

ately, as Methodist leaders have e together for committee meetings conferences, someone has almost ays popped up with a big question: re willl the next General Conference eld?

his week they have the answer: neapolis, Minn. The dates are April May 9, 1956.

ecision was made at a Tulsa meet- by the Commission on Entertain- t of the General Conference. The mission is composed of a minister layman from each jurisdiction.

nvitations from Boston and St. is were considered by the commis- n. Boston was host to the 1948 Gen- Conference. The 1952 meeting was San Francisco. The Minneapolis con- ence will be the first one held in North Central Jurisdiction since fication.

urch leaders urge eguards for "abuses"

The National Council of Churches— perative body embracing 30 major testant and Orthodox churches — sounded a clear call for reforms eliminate "procedural abuses" by gressional investigating committees.

Last month at its regular business eting in New York, the policy-mak- General Board of the NCC adopted statement listing eight such abuses, currently threatening American edom. Among them: stigmatizing of ividuals and groups on the basis of supported accusations and casual as- iations; forcing persons to testify out their economic and political be- fs, under "pretext of investigation of oversive activities"; tendencies of ngressional committees to act as gislative courts" to determine guilt innocence.

As further threats to traditional hts of American individuals and oups, the statement spelled out such ocedural practices as denying to ac- sed witnesses the opportunity to pre- nt evidence favorable to their side of e case, permitting defamatory mater- to be read into committee records

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without requiring the accuser to confront the accused, releasing from committee files "unverified and unevaluated data" in such a way as to help spread and give credence to "malicious gossip," scheduling committee hearings without the foreknowledge of all committee members.

A Single Joint Committee

The statement also endorsed proposals for setting up a single joint congressional committee on subversion, to replace overlapping, "rival" groups which have created "the impression that they seek publicity, personal aggrandizement and political advantage rather than basic facts." As a "more basic" threat to freedom, the statement deplored a growing tendency "to suppose that it is within the competence of the state to determine what is and what is not American . . . The American way is to preserve freedom by encouraging diversity within the unity of the nation," the Council statement said, "and by trusting truth to prevail over error in open discussions."

Newspapers Comment

Speaking editorially, the *New York Times* and the *Chicago Sun-Times* hailed the stand taken by the National Council of Churches. Said the *New York Times*: "In putting forward these ideas, the National Council is of course running the usual risk of censure by Senator McCarthy. For Mr. McCarthy is now accusing not only Democrats, 'eggheads,' and 'deluded liberals' of playing into the hands of communists, for demanding some check on his present investigative powers. He is accusing Republicans and the President of the United States as well."

Said the *Chicago Sun-Times*: "By McCarthy's yardstick, the American people are supposed to assume immediately that somehow or other the National Council is aiding and abetting the communist cause. But since the Council represents 30 . . . denominations, with 35 million members, most Americans are not likely to fall for that type of McCarthy reasoning. The Council did not single out McCarthy, said the editorial. "The thoughtful,

deeply perceptive statement . . . was an indictment of all congressional committees which violate the rights and dignity of the individual."

Church has jobs for June graduates

For 100 young men and women college graduates, the Methodist Board of Missions has opportunities for work in mission stations at home and abroad as part of its short-term mission program. The needs are 50 for Africa, 17 for Korea, and the rest for service in the U. S. and its territories.

Candidates must be unmarried, have a bachelor's degree, and active interest in the church. "Good health, good mind, and a committed spirit" are listed among the qualifications. For those wishing to serve in Africa a knowledge of French, Spanish or Portuguese will be helpful "but not necessary." The foreign terms and those in Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico are for three years. In the U. S. they serve for two years.

Two construction engineers, two agricultural teachers, and two business management majors are needed for Africa, along with a number of teachers, social group workers, religious education and youth leaders. Needed for the national missions program are teachers in Latin American, Indian, Negro, Puerto Rican and interracial schools; house parents, dietitians, and farm managers for children's homes; and trained religious workers for bayou areas of Louisiana, quarries in New Hampshire, dairy lands of Wisconsin, and small farms of the southeast.

The foreign group will be trained for six weeks beginning June 26 at Scarritt College in Nashville. US-2's will train at National College for Christian Workers in Kansas City.

Persons interested in foreign work should write to Dr. M. O. Williams or Miss J. Marguerite Twinem, and those interested in U. S. work should write Miss Alpharetta Leeper, all at 150 Fifth Ave., New York 11.

Oxnam honored for speaking

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of Washington has been named as one of five persons selected as speakers-of-the-year for 1953.

The citations are made by Tau Kappa Alpha, national college honor society in speech. Awards in five areas go to President Eisenhower in national affairs, Henry Ford II in business and commerce, George Meany in labor, Edward R. Murrow in educational-scientific-cultural activities, and Bishop Oxnam in religion.

Now in its fifth year, the citation recognizes persons in public life for their superior speaking ability, specifically those who are distinguished for effective, intelligent and responsible speech; those who, by their oral communication, have enlightened the understanding and quickened the conscience of the American people; and those whose speech skills have contributed to the strengthening of American democracy.

Awards were announced March 28 at the society's convention in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Two drained glasses and three smiling faces show the success of new "milk" products to be used in feeding needy children by the United Nations Children's Fund. Soybean milk, fish flour rolls, and reconstituted powdered milk are inexpensive to produce and high in protein content, will be distributed in non-dairy countries.

Your clothing goes abroad

here is a story about relief clothing Korea. You were the beginning of story. Here is something of the ing.

he beggars and shoe-shine boys e fewer bare spots and torn places. -tung-i has a complete new outfit school. Pok-sung-ah has socks to r and an extra sweater. The full th underwear isn't seen except in a places, but it is certainly felt when studies in unheated classrooms. s Lee feels presentable in public. s. Kim has a new Korean dress to r to church and on special occa- ns, and has warm clothes for her y. She made them from relief hes. Mrs. Moon, a widow, keeps three children by making clothes sell from relief clothes.

Ir. Oh sold his relief winter coat outfitted his whole family in Ko- n clothes. Mr. Ahn has apparently a suit and shirt to wear for his k in the bank or government. He y have bought the suit from a mer- nt who bought the suit from a ddleman who bought the suit from orphanage that was given the suit relief bundles. It was too big for children, so was sold to buy food. all adds up to this: more people h more money and more clothes n they had a year ago.

art of the story, too, is about re- food. It fed one member of the family so that the others had ugh to eat. This was the way the p kitchen worked in more than one ugee camp. It saved this little child m tuberculosis. It brought back to lth that five pound, six-month-old y.

et, the more important part of the ry is still not told. This war is ly a matter of life or death for the rean Christian. He is at the top of communists' blacklist and he knows at will happen to him if the com- nists get the chance. When he prays he prays, and prays long and often which frequently includes church every morning at five a.m. Today, only through Christ's promise that he has conquered the world, can the Korean Christian live.

Here is the climax of the story: the fellowship extended from you via relief packages serves to strengthen that faith in Jesus Christ . . . a faith that brings life-giving hope for the future whether it be abundant, mere struggle for existence, torture, brain washing, or death. Thus we can be assured of a continuing and growing Christian community here no matter what the future brings. This is proven even now by the continuing Christian community in North Korea.

Let us continue to join with all of our world-wide neighbors in Christian love through direct help, for the opportunity does not always last. In many situations the relief package is our only means of help for the many needy Koreans. In view of higher postal rates, it might be well to send only the more useable and valuable clothing (not such things as women's hats and shoes). Shipping agencies do a good job and may be a saving.

—DEAN L. SCHOWENGERDT
Taejon, Korea

UNICEF helps Indian children

With the threat of famine hanging constantly over the population of half the states of India, help is always needed. When famine does strike, one source of help is the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). UNICEF has provided emergency supplies of rice to be distributed among children and mothers in the critical areas. Last year UNICEF provided 2,200 tons of rice. This year UNICEF has stockpiles in readiness in India to use whenever a situation becomes critical.

one thing to do

On Washington's birthday, my son Tom and his girl went with an MYF group to the San Bernadino mountains to play in the snow. While walking with his girl near the ski lift, he was set upon by seven youth who made an unprovoked attack upon him, kicking him in the head, breaking a vertebra.

I am not telling you this news in order to seek your sympathy, nor am I trying to exploit a situation. But these things happen and we pay no attention to them until they come very close home. Then the question we ask is, "What can we do about the boys who made the attack, especially when they are released to the custody of their parents—parents who, if they had been building the right kind of a home in the first place, would not have produced this kind of a child?"

Certainly one of the things we **can** do is to strengthen the family life of the parents within our churches, and then everlastingly reach out to include the families of other maladjusted boys and girls and their likewise maladjusted parents. I am sure that for one thing the church could be a tremendous redemptive force in this regard if we make the most of the opportunity.

All of this points up to the fact that May 2-9 is National Family Week, and that our church has provided some excellent material to help you make this a vital experience in the life of your church. Possibly the attention you give to this matter will be one more positive deterrent to the recurrence somewhere else of the tragedy that struck our home on Washington's birthday. It certainly will provide a counter-delinquency factor in our society that cannot be over estimated.

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A Big Scoop

Senator McCarthy and the House un-American Activities committee have missed their biggest scoop. They have been so busy looking for communists in church and state that they have overlooked 3,000,000 persons who entered our country in 1953.

The 3,000,000 are illiterate, do not believe in God, our religion or our constitution. They have no respect for the flag and less for our form of government. They will disrupt our American school system and may be a threat to our churches.

They are the babies who were born to American homes during the last year.

One of them was a granddaughter born to our family. In her first three weeks as an American citizen, 26 companies and agencies appealed to her parents for their loyalty and business. These ranged from diaper services to life insurance, but the church was not one of them . .

In a day when more babies are being born to Methodist families than ever before, in the last decade we have shown a tragic drop in the number of babies enrolled in the nursery roll. We have missed serving these parents in their happiest and tenderest moments. Church after church has no nursery-home visitor and so the refrain will continue to be "Everyone but our church welcomes our new baby."

Let us make a concerted effort to get the church on the job.

—GERALD B. HARVEY,

Executive secretary, Southern California-Arizona Conference Board of Education in letters to pastors and leaders.

What about Tito?

hat about Tito? Well, we've had evise our opinions of his governt a bit, lately . . .

few weeks ago, we heard a repntative of the Yugoslav governt in this country discuss his nation re an American group. It was, he declared, a representative government — a government whose aim was "democratic socialism." He emphasized Yugoslav "decentralization" (as compared with iet "centralization"); referred to self as a Catholic and maintained e is no religious persecution in oslavia; spoke of the two legisve houses established under the stitution of 1955; and in general ded mentioning anything which ld have made Yugoslavia appear to different from the U. S.

aying the Yugoslavia believed in eds, not words," he declared the ted States aid which came in 1950 the first foreign assistance in oslav history which was given out political and economic strings.

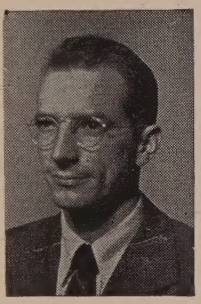
m Yugoslavia's side, he pointed out, an be said that the military alli- with Greece, plus Turkey's might, s Allied policymakers 75 divisions depend on in Eastern Europe as trasted with 20 divisions for the TO nations.

e failed to mention Marxism, the -party system in Yugoslavia, the as of the class struggle and the atorship of the proletariat and o's position of personal power—none which, it would seem, has been diswed by his country.

bviously, he was presenting a oned picture. The result was to cause writer to dismiss practically everyng he said—until we read Mr. lye's article.

edye, a reliable and distinguished eign correspondent of many years' erience, discussed the downfall of Milovan Djilas, a spearhead in the movement to "liberalize" Yugoslavia along Western lines.

After a visit to Yugoslavia, Gedye is able to hope that the anti-Djilas coup is "only a temporary swing of the pendulum." For, he declared, he has been amazed to discover how far Yugoslavia has been able to go in the last three years in breaking with Stalinist methods and in allowing "decentralization."



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It is true, he admits, that it was Dejilas' attempt to change the one-party system that led to his downfall. On the other hand, he maintains, Djilas was allowed to publish answers to the charges against him. While these answers amounted to a submission to the government position, at the same time he could still declare that in certain respects his attitude has ben right. (He had not been killed or imprisoned.)

Comments Gedye: "To say that all this amounts to democracy as we in the West understand it, is palpably absurd." But, he points out, Yugoslavia has adopted in this matter "at least the manner of democracy to an extent which no other modern dictatorship has done or could afford to do."

On the economic side, asserts Gedye, concerns now compete for orders and in profit making. After payment of basic wages, taxation, and making provision for depreciation and investment, they use the remaining surplus to raise wages above the basic figure. Planning begins at the worker level, goes to a Central Board, and is discussed in Parliament and the press before the Board decides on the final plan.

We may indeed remain skeptical about such things as individual freedom of opinion in a country like Yugoslavia. On the other hand, we must not assume that all Communist governments will rule as oppressively as the Russian one, or that there cannot be some real "representation" in their system.

—BY CLAUD NELSON, JR.

Source of Concern

"But now . . ."

What of miracles? The fellows' voices talked on—*late* (nothing new for men's dorm). If reject one miracle, do you reject all? If you don't believe in miracles, can you believe anything? Somebody came up with miracle as "any event in the life of an individual or a group that convinces them that God is *alive, active.*"

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A group of boys and girls with a teacher whose quietness (akin to God's quietness) drew out their inmost thoughts, said: "The world is full of miracles, of that I am sure . . . I think a miracle is a wonder—It is God at work. So it was with the ancients. 'There is Something beyond the power of man,' they said. They saw Him at work. Ways of explaining things have changed; Science has given new answers to men's questions. Yet God is still at work . . . There are still miracles."

(*Welker and Barber: Thoughts of God for Boys and Girls, p. 216*).

Easter is nearing. Spring's gladsome, bouyant, effervescing vitality; all nature in a hallelujah chorus of triumph over winter. Icy crust for so long . . . *but now* the rich golden-yellow of crocus. Night so dark . . . *but now* bird-song greeting light. But how much more breath-taking the miracle of persons' *awareness* of all this — this strange aliveness, this activeness, this *nowness* of . . . God! Twin-miracle to the astonishing reality of life, this miracle of persons' knowing of it, responding, now!

Lives have winters, springs. One despairing in gloom of remorse and utterly unable to rise of his own strength alone. But touched with that act Energy from above, he glows w newness. Old drives that once held in relentless grip have dropped aw as confining cocoon drops its d sheath to release the winged m Deep motivations, those clamor inner want-to's, have been chang One really wants now to do the nob the kindlier things. One lives now, Emerson said, "from great depths being." Miracle? God-alive acting i life, and that life being *aware* of So thing Happening . . .

Miss Bowman

Ever had to go through a task grief or problem terrible you thou you could not, somehow you fo Help? As f Longfellow's mu ian's tale, "Song St. Olaf" (*Tale a Wayside In* "As torrents in s mer, Half dried their channels, S denly rise, tho the Sky is still cl less, For rain has been falling Far at their fountains, Far off has raining."

The paralytic brought that day did he hope merely for physical h ing? That itself, miracle, yes. But w more Operation Jesus meant! For ing his sins! Restoring faith, h Which the greater: touch a body to r vitality, or release spirit from para ing sins? Which the greater: to bre loaves into thousands of pieces, or so warm 5000 hearts with others-co cern that sharing with one another

they have is spontaneous, joyful,

point of Eastertide is not alone appy thankfulness that wells un- for reawakening life, not alone ation of the Miracle of the third 000 years ago. The *point* is the *wness*: what we let happen to he crocus *lets* the grey bulb be d to life, *lets* the sun draw it up- through the dark earth. Are we lling as the paralytic to respond peration Jesus? Change from -direction living—in an individ- campus, an MYF, a church, a a nation—to life-direction living: because Something More than the y human to *work through* the y human. And we, with all our e, are but humble like Piers Plow- who had "a great light of wonder s face."

—BY CLARICE BOWMAN

ooks of Concern

The Negro Community hin American Protestantism

major area calling for more and thought and Christian action is integration and growth of the o community within American estantism. Now a scholarly book s to provide the needed background n understanding of present situa- and how they came to be.

. Leonard L. Haynes, Jr., formerly at Methodism's Philander Smith ge in Little Rock and now profes- at Arkansas A. M. and N. College ine Bluff, Ark., has produced a me on *The Negro Community in American Protestantism, 1619-*. The book is an adaptation of his oral thesis at Boston University.

he very helpful introduction states problem, defines terms, and reviews ature in the field. The book traces beginnings of the Negro commun- in America, the development of gion, right on through the pre-Civil days. The summary and conclu- point to steps for future study and on. The volume is readable and ificant in its laying of foundations the solution of present problems.

Publisher is the Christopher Publishing House, Boston 20, Mass., and the cost is $4.

How To Make Friends Abroad

One of the most significant books of the winter is a *must* for Christians and other thinking Americans who are planning trips abroad. The book: *How To Make Friends Abroad*, fascinating to read and practical in its approach.

Robert Root, the author, is head of religious journalism at Syracuse University and has lived and traveled in many parts of the world. This book is a new kind of travel guide, based on the fact that touring is more than sightseeing. Americans going abroad find helps for getting acquainted more easily and building friendships among the people they're sure to meet. This is "a guidebook to understanding yourself and others overseas."

Americans going abroad will run into a fair amount of "anti-Americanism." They will be put on the spot with questions and criticisms about their country and its people. Root's book will prepare one to face that criticism by examining the justice and injustice of the criticisms.

If you are going abroad — work camping, conferencing, or just sightseeing, be sure to read this book first. And if you're staying home, you would enjoy this report on the attitudes Americans can expect and the friendly actions and attitudes Americans might export.

How To Make Friends Abroad is a Haddam House book, published by Association Press for $2 a copy.

Major Methodist Emphases

A small, paper-bound volume that will interest many Methodists and be helpful in study groups is *Major Methodist Emphases*, written by a retired Kentucky Conference minister, Dr. O. B. Crockett. The 65 page-booklet discusses the eight major emphases of the Methodist movement: a conversion experience, evangelistic zeal, social action, religious instruction of children, organization, Christian higher education, catholicity, and missions. Price is 50 cents a copy, 35 cents each for five or more. Order from the author at 240 McDowell Rd., Lexington, Ky.

Report to the church

On April 21 the Youth Department will make its annual report on the work of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. In Detroit 90 Methodists—bishops, laymen (including seven young people) and ministers who comprise the General Board of Education of The Methodist Church will meet April 20-23 to receive reports, determine policies and lay long range plans for the work of Christian education of the church.

The staff of the Youth Department will report:

● that the Youth Emphasis is moving ahead with increasing sections of the church being aroused to action to lift the level of youth work.

● that a goal of 500,000 new youth in the MYF by spring of 1956 is being adopted by the annual conferences of Methodism.

● that Methodist youth shared in one of the greatest efforts to strengthen Chrisian believes in a Lenten reading project in local churches — more than 103,800 copies of Harner's *I Believe* being distributed to Methodist youth.

● that increased efforts have been made to provide training for adults who work in the MYF through regional and jurisdictional workshops and conference training enterprises.

● that there are 36 paid directors of youth work in the annual conference with 59 serving as volunteer directors in addition to 41 conference directors of intermediate work and more than 575 district directors of youth work.

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● that Methodist youth gave $507,306.33 to the Methodist Youth Fund—an increase of 17.7% over the previous year and the largest amount in the history of the Fund.

● that the new *Handbook of the MYF* has been received with wide acclaim, more than 87,500 being sold in the first ten months.

● that approximately 81,000 Methodist youth took part in a summer ca... institute or assembly last summe... one of the more than 680 instit... and camps sponsored by the churc...

● that youth evangelism has ... tinued to spread in every annual ... ference reaching many of the ... churches with Christian witness ... ions.

There will be many other item... report . . . the youth school of alc... studies . . . leadership training . ... missionary education, field work, i... denominational ... operation!

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Wish you were ... ing to be ther... share in the re... For you are r... *the report.* All ... takes place at ... troit will focus ... YOU and Y... FRIENDS at Y... CHURCH. Wit... you the reports ... have little mea...

As the General Board of Educa... meets Bishop Fred P. Corson, presi... will preside. The 90 persons who ... stitute voting membership will di... into three sections for business ... planning: Division of the Local Chu... Editorial Division, and Division of ... ucational Institutions. Bishop Pau... Martin is chairman of the Divisio... the Local Church. As its name imp... it is responsible for the work of Ch... ian education—the church school ... 40,000 local churches of Method... This includes the work of the M... . . . and that's where you and yo... buddies come in.

Yes, I wish you were there in D... troit! But can you be certain tha... we plan for the year ahead, you w... be there in our thoughts and in o... prayers.

—BY HAROLD W. EWI...

d picture
for action

n your MYF or MSM talks about outreach and world Christian nity, remember to take a square the world. Present needs are dous.

ch World Service uses gifts merican Protestant churches in d-wide program to relieve suf- Last month Church World released these statistics. Quote n your group:

n Korea there are more than 00 people, mostly refugees, who enniless and homeless; among are 400,000 widows and 100,000 s—both groups victims of war.

ainfall in India, autumn of 1953, normal" — after six years of t; but there are millions still on w-subsistence diet.

bout 1,000,000 Arab refugees in ar East are living on a meager many of them in caves, ragged and in makeshift shelters.

here are still 11,000,000 uprooted in Europe — many of them in e camps for six years. Streams of y refugees slip through the iron n to free Europe daily. Most needs are among peoples in Ger- Austria, Trieste, Greece and lavia.

Some 300,000 refugees from com- t ruled China are living in squat- uts on the steep hillsides of Hong except for relief goods, they ithout food, clothing or employ-

And there are still many thous- homeless because of 1953's floods lland and the lowlands, floods in and Italy, earthquake in Greece, olocausts in Pusan, Korea, and in Kong.

these areas are on Church World e's list for aid during 1954. odists give through the Methodist nittee for Overseas Relief.

w filmstrip
counseling

stors, teachers, counselors and adult leaders of youth and stu- will find great value in a new n d filmstrip, "Counseling for Church Vocations." It shows why the church has a responsibility for helping young people make their vocational decisions and how the job can best be done.

The filmstrip develops and illustrates ten basic principles of good counseling that are necessary for both the professional and volunteer counselor. It deals with two counseling situations: one involving a fellow who thought he didn't want to be a minister, but did; and the other involving a girl who thought she couldn't be a missionary nurse, and was partly right.

The filmstrip is excellent for adult leaders. It is not designed for groups of youth and students and should not be shown to them.

Running time is 30 minutes, 104 black-and-white frames, $10 including 33⅓ record. Order from Methodist Radio and Film Commission, Box 868, Nashville, Tenn.

Creeds men live by--

MONEY ITSELF is the object of much worship. "Money talks," or "Put your money where your mouth is!" are typical expressions of this creed. This is a shaky religion, however, for the value of its god fluctuates with the times.

Fellowship teams help local churches

"Any Methodist Youth Fellowship has leadership available for its use," asserts Glenn Murray, vice president of the Oregon Conference MYF.

Pointing to the impressive record of service achieved by teams of trained youth, Glenn urges more churches to use this valuable resource. Since fall teams of officers have visited local MYFs and subdistricts in Oregon almost every week. They tailor each program to meet the needs of the situation.

Fellowship teams lead workshops on the program areas, lead discussions on techniques of program building and strengthening faith, put on demonstration meetings to show how to use material, lead recreation, singing and a host of other activities.

Fellowship teams have grown from the conviction that youth can train other youth if they themselves are trained and committed to their task Under Glenn's leadership, a number of teams of conference officers have been working, as well as some teams on a subdistrict level.

The question always comes, "will young people listen to other youth?" They will if the youth have something to offer, says Glenn. "We try to use people on our teams who are thoroughly sold on the MYF program and are really eager to tell other people about it. We feel too that we have some of the best materials that are available anywhere, but too often local churches do not know about them or are not making the best use of them. Th where a youth fellowship team really talk—on the level of youth, ing their experiences and showing other groups have done.

Glenn credits the work of these t for the significant rise in attenc and interest being shown through MYFs in Oregon. Participating say the important thing is what can motivate the local group to d itself, the continuing progress afte team leaves. When a subdistrict le ship for a fellowship team in its subdistrict, then the job has been done.

MYF in actio

Pittsburgh holds witness workshop

During the Christian witness w shop sponsored at McKeesport, P the Pittsburgh Conference MYF month, 23 teams of two contacte unchurched youth or inactive c members of MYF age.

The result: 149 youth signed mitment cards and 20 expressed sire to join The Methodist Church, 19 of that number by confessio faith and the other by transfe membership.

Some 80 MYFers attended the w shop, 40 from McKeesport and 40 other churches in the conference. J T. Edwards of the General Boa

Glenn Murray is key man in the Oregon Conference fellowship team project. He plans carefully before any team goes into a situation, here with Maryn Stookey, president of the Portland subdistrict. (See story.)

lism instructed the youth in
s and techniques of visitation
ism.

Neely, conference director of
vork, said that MYFers are ex-
to promote similar workshops
r home churches after gaining
nce at the conference workshop.

cts banquet 1,000 hours

month 120 Methodist youth of
ntonio, Tex., shared in a ban-
Travis Park church, marking
mpletion of more than 1,000
of work given by the youth
local service agencies. The
projects were sponsored by the
ntonio subdistrict MYF in co-
on with the volunteer service
of the Community Welfare

service projects got under way
vember when a group of youth,
by a subdistrict rally the
before, decided to investigate
sibilities of service to the com-
A committee was formed with
Claus Rohlfs as counselor and
d Davis as chairman. They con-
the Community Welfare Council
anged for work to be designated
ups of various sizes. Each MYF
city was then invited to choose
turday morning or afternoon a
as its regular service project
Groups responded right away.

make assignments in advance,
structions from train workers,
en begin the jobs. Under the
sion of professional personnel,

local MYFers have made surgical dressings for the American Cancer Society, varnished canes and crutches for Goodwill Industries, and served in many ways at community houses and in needy areas in all parts of the city.

It's a great example of youth in action.

Youth prepare devotional booklet

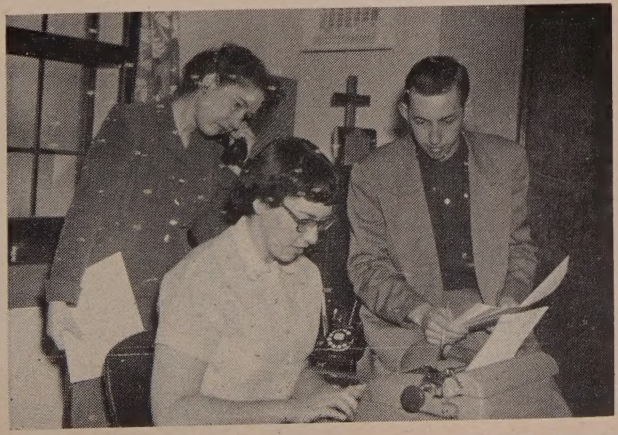
As a special Lenten project, the older youth fellowship of Goodyear Heights church, Akron, Ohio, collected bits of devotional material from members of the congregation.

During Holy Week the contributions, including inspirational poems, quotations, original writings, and other aids to worship, were assembled into a mimeographed booklet and sold. The money will be used to finance the older youth program and its projects in Christian outreach. Among the projects are aid to a Japanese student in Japan, the first Angola, Africa conference, and their MYFund pledge.

Purpose of the booklet, according to editor Jack Belton, is to have members of the congregation share with one another devotional material and religious insights pertaining to their growth as Christians.

Concern salutes

John Harold Lammert is an active MYFer in Birmingham, Ala., with a real interest in the Methodist Youth



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in Akron, Ohio,
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a Nelson, Betty
r and Jack Bel-
See story.)

Fund. Johnny and others in the church have worked so hard on Methodist Youth Fund giving that the youth have set a goal of $1,000 for MYFund giving this year—and they probably will reach their goal.

Lammert

Johnny is president of the senior MYF and president of the church youth council at Central Park Methodist Church, Birmingham. In addition to local church jobs, he serves as president of the Ensley subdistrict, chairman of outreach in the Bessemer district, and is in his second year as secretary of the senior assembly number two of the North Alabama Conference.

Johnny Lammert is a conscientious and hard worker in the MYF. He graduated from high school last January and is planning to devote his life to mission service.

MYF Roundup

◆ "So Send I You—To Preach, To Teach, and To Heal." This was the note that three youth brought to 400 youth attending the interdenominational worship service climaxing youth week, February 7, in El Paso, Tex. Speakers emphasized world Christianity as expressed in Christ's charge, "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." Center of attention for the worship service was a huge globe of the world with large white cross put through it (pictured below) ma... youth of Asbury church.

◆ Friends of youth dinners ar... for 13 cities on 13 days in the ... fornia-Nevada Conference, with ... Donald H. Tippett speaking at ... on "Our Youth—Problem or Pro... Dinners are planned by the confe... Board of Education to interest a... form key adult workers with yout... persons who should be more con... about youth.

◆ Little Rock Conference had ... year reunion of its fellowship ... to criticize their work of last su... and to make plans for this sum... activities. Teams will be trained ... this summer at a friendship tea... oratory at Aldersgate camp in ... Rock.

◆ Western North Carolina C... ence MYF sponsored a Christian ... tions conference at Hickory, ha... youth on hand. Wallace Harrels ... ports they were privileged to ... some of the outstanding speak... Methodism, and a great confer...

◆ Very rarely does south Al... see snow, but an inch fell at Blu... near Andalusia during an Al... Conference spiritual life retrea... month. Some 45 youth discussed ... Christian beliefs, guided by Joe ... the Youth Department staff. Wh... snow came, the youth planned a ... mas party, with a real tree. ... than exchange gifts, they cont... money to the Methodist Commi... Overseas Relief for Meals for M... and the milk fund.

◆ Two simultaneous spiritual ... treats were held April 2-4 fo... Conference MYFers, with 60 ... picked youth attending.

To emphasize world outreach, youth of Asbury church in El Paso, Tex. built a huge globe and cross, the job requiring over two weeks' work and 5,000 deep red and light blue crepe paper flowers. Youth were designated the church officers and took over church jobs during youth week.

›pine University
s student center

st report from student workers Philippines is that ground has roken for a new interdenomina- chapel, fellowship center and l residence on the campus of the sity of the Philippines in Que- ty, just outside Manila.

sored by the Philippine Federa- Christian Churches and directed inter-church committee of lical leaders, this new Protestant center on the campus of the lines' greatest government-di- university is a significant de- ent. Not far away, and being simultaneously, is the new Catholic chapel and student The building of the two centers ll approval of both university overnmental agencies.

chaplain and director of the ant center and program is l C. Bush, a Methodist mission- ne Methodist Board of Missions of the cooperating agencies pro- ffunds for the buildings.

M Roundup

›uisiana MSM met at Louisiana University at Baton Rouge (see) and elected Mary Law of the -Newcomb Wesley Foundation in rleans as state president. Miss Hay of Hammond is state MSM r.

s an outgrowth of the experi- of Oliver Hailey, Margaret Petty r. Bob Ledbetter at the MSM

MSM in action

citizenship seminar in New York and Washington in February, a United Nations study group has been formed at the Methodist Student Center at the University of Texas, Austin. The study group is open to all students interested in the U.N. First meeting dealt with the basic organization of the U.N.

◆ In observance of Christian Education Sunday in The Methodist Church, 17 students from Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Ca., conducted services at eight Amherst County churches. Working in teams of two, one student presided and the other delivered the worship message.

◆ The Virginia Central Regional MSM conference met at Randolph-Macon Woman's College March 13-14 to discuss the theme "Is Christianity Practical?" Platform speaker was Dr. Carl Michalson of Drew Theological Seminary. About 75 students attended.

◆ Charles Matchett, University of Pittsburgh junior, was elected president of the Pennsylvania MSM at its state conference in Gettysburg the last weekend in March. Rev. Howard Brettle of Philadelphia is state director.

◆ New president of the Alabama MSM is Tommy Ogletree of Birmingham-Southern College, elected at the February 20-21 state conference at Auburn. The new state council met April 10 in Birmingham to plan the year's work. Director is Mrs. O. D. Thomas.

ng leaders at Louisiana MSM g, March 12-14 on Rouge, were cLean, CON- artist, and Rog- mayer, MOTIVE McLean wrote ected a skit pro- for an evening m, and Ortmayer source person iiscussion leader conference.

End of the year?

Yes, some years end in May—the Methodist Youth Fund year, for example.

All money to be credited on this year's records must be received at national headquarters before May 31, which means that your conference treasurer must have the money by May 15. You should get your Youth Fund money in the mail by May 10.

Right Now---

- **Check on all Youth Fund pledges.**
- **Get the payments in.**
- **Ask for an "extra contribution" from those who have already paid their pledges in full.**
- **Mail all money promptly to the treasurer of your annual conference.**

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